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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re Application of:)
SHINGO HAYAKAWA) : Examiner: Unassigned
Application No.: 09/714,266) : Group Art Unit: 2612
Filed: November 17, 2000) :
For: OPTICAL LOW-PASS FILTER,) :
AND IMAGE SENSING UNIT :
AND APPARATUS USING THE) :
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

Each item of information in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a European Search Report from a counterpart application. A copy of that Search Report is enclosed for the Examiner's convenience. Applicant submits that the foreign language documents cited in this Statement may be relevant for the reasons set forth in the Search Report. In addition, the European Patent Office has

provided an English language abstract for the Japanese language document and Applicant has obtained an English language abstract, from a commercial database, for the German language document. Applicant has enclosed copies of those abstracts for the Examiner's convenience.

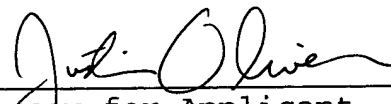
Applicant also notes that two documents cited in the Search Report are not listed on the Form PTO-1449 inasmuch as those documents were already cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed February 21, 2001.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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